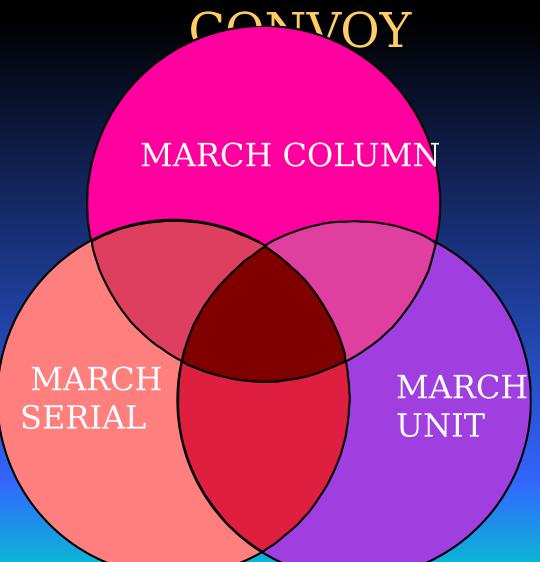
## CONVOY SECURITY TD 935

### THREE SUB-ELEMENTS OF A



#### MARCH COLUMN

- LARGEST SUBDIVISION OF A CONVOY
- CONSISTS OF ALL THE VEHICLES INVOLVED IN A SINGLE MOVE OVER THE SAME ROUTE
- BROKEN DOWN INTO: -HEAD -MAIN BODY -TRAIL -DETATCHED PARTY

### MARCH SERIAL

- SUBDIVIDES A MARCH COLUMN
- MOVES OVER THE SAME ROUTE AT THE SAME RATE
- MOVES TO THE SAME NEW AREA AND IS UNDER ONE COMMAND

#### MARCH UNIT

- AN ELEMENT OF A MARCH SERIAL
- SMALLEST ORGANIZED SUBGROUP OF THE CONVOY
- A SINGLE COMMANDER CAN
  CONTROL A COLUMN OF 20 VEHICLES
  OR LESS
- MARCH UNITS ARE USUALLY SEPARATED BY A TIME GAP OR INTERVAL

### CONVOY ORGANIZATIONAL ELEMENTS

#### MARCH COLUMN

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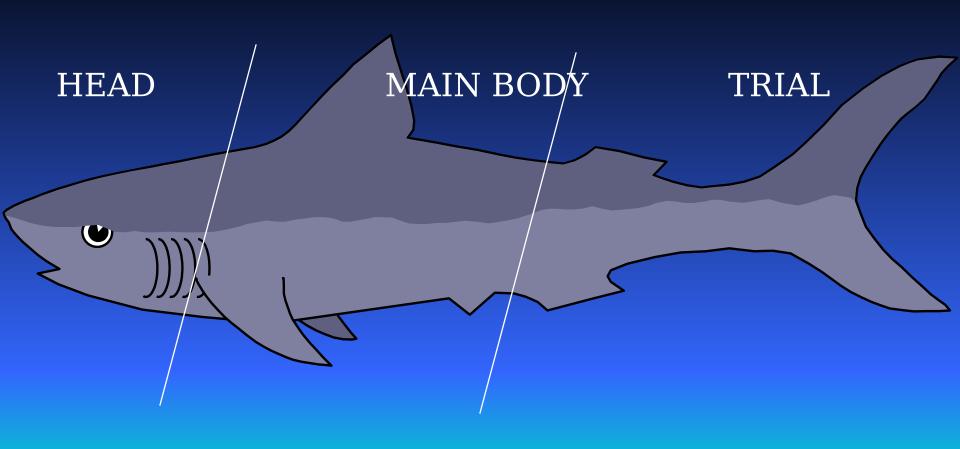
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## THREE PARTS OF MARCH COLUMNS



#### HEAD

- THR FIRST TASK VEHICLE OF THE COLUMN IN THE ORDER OF MARCH
- SETS THE PACE
- INSURES PROPER ROUTE IS FOLLOWED
- RECEIVES CHANGES IN ORDERS

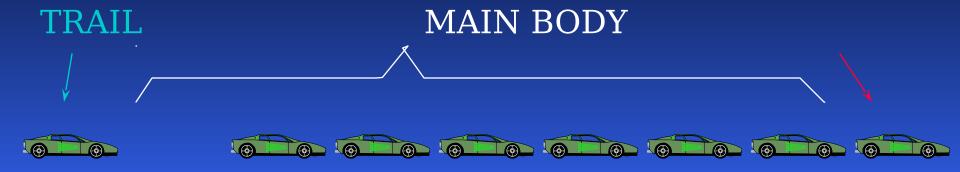
### MAIN BODY

- FOLLOWS IMMEDIATELY BEHIND THE PACE SETTER
- COSISTS OF VEHICLES CARRYING TROOPS, EQUIPMENT, AND/OR SUPPLIES
- LARGEST PART OF THE CONVOY, MAY BE SUBDIVIDED INTO SERIALS AND MARCH UNITS FOR EASIER REGULATION AND CONTROL

### TRAIL

- LAST VEHICLE OF A MARCH COLUMN
- MAINTAINS DISCIPLINE
- PREVENTS STRAGGLERS
- CHECKS FINAL CLEARANCE OF DESIGNATED POINTS
- USUALLY INCLUDES A
   MAINTENANCE TRUCK, WRECKER,
   AND MEDICAL SUPPORT

#### CONVOY FUNCTIONAL ELEMENTS



### CONVOY CONTROL OFFICERS

- COLUMN COMMANDER
- ADVANCE OFFICER
- PACE SETTER
- TRAIL OFFICER
- TRAIL MANTENANCE OFFICER
- ESCORT SECURITY ELEMENTS

## CONVOY SUPPORT COORDINATION

- MILITARY AND CIVILIAN POLICE
- MEDICAL
- ENGINEER
- AIR SUPPORT
- COMBAT ARMS
- MAINTENANCE AND RECOVERY

## PERSONNEL PREPARATIONS

- BILLETS, MESS, AND SHOWERS
- TRANSPORTATION IF REQUIRED
- AMMUNITION
- PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT
- REST HALTS
- SECURITY WITHIN STAGING AREAS AND AT HALTS
- BRIEFINGS

## EQUIPMENT PREPARATIONS

- SPOT CHECK PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CHECKS AND SERVICES (PMCS)
- ENSURE ADDITIONAL FUEL, WATER, AND LUBRICANTS ARE AVAILABLE
- ENSUER THE CONVOY CLEARANCE IS MARKED ON VEHICLES
- ENSURE VEHICLES ARE HARDENED
- ENSURE VEHICLES HAVE SAFETY AND WARNING EQUIPMENT

#### **FLAGS**

- LEAD VEHICLE--DISPLAYS A BLUE FLAG
- TRAIL VEHICLE --DISPLAYS A GREEN FLAG
- CONVOY COMMANDER--DISPLAYS
   A BLACK & WHITE FLAG

## CONVOY DRIVERS BRIEFINGS

- SITUATION
  - FRIENDLY FORCES
  - SUPPORT UNITS
  - <del>- ENEMY</del>
    - EXECUTION

- MISSION
  - TYPE OF CARGO
  - ORIGIN
  - DESINATION

- TIME SCHEDULE
- VEHICLE DISTANCE
- CONVOY SPEED

- ACCIDENTS
- BREAKDOWNS
- CATCHUP SPEED
- SEPARATION OF CONVOYAMBUSH
- GENERAL ORGANIZATION OF CONVOYS

## CONVOY DRIVERS BRIEFING

- COMMAND AND SIGNAL
  - LOCATION OF CONVOY COMMANDER
  - ACTION OF SECURITY FORCE
  - SERIAL CDR'S RESPONSIBILITY
  - RADIO FREQUENCIES AND CALL SIGNS
  - HAND AND ARM SIGNALS
  - OTHER PREARRANGED SIGNALS

- SAFETY
  - ROUTE HAZARDS
  - WEATHER CONDITIONS
  - DEFENSIVE
- SERVINE AND SUPPORT
  - CONTROL OF PERSONNEL
  - BILLETING AND MESSING
  - REFUELING OF VEHICLES

CEDVICING OF

### CONVOY CLEARANCE

- DD FORM 1265 (REQUEST)
- HTD SCHEDULES
- HTD ISSUES MOVEMENT CREDIT & NUMBERS

### MOVEMENT CREDIT

- THE TIME GIVEN TO ONE OR MORE VEHICLES TO MOVE OVER A SUPERVISED, DISPATCHED, OR RESERVED ROUTE
- INCLUDES THE TIMES THE FIRST AND LAST VEHICLE OF A COLUMN ARE SCHEDULED TO PASS THE ENTRY AND EXIT POINTS

## MOVEMENT NUMBER

- COLUMN/CONVOY IDENTIFICATION
- NUMBER PLACED ON BOTH SIDES AND FRONT OF THE VEHICLE
- CONSISTS OF:
  - TWO FIGURES INDICATING DAY OF THE MONTH
  - THREE OR MORE LETTERS INDICATING THE AUTHORITY ORGANIZING THE MOVEMENT
  - TWO NUMBERS INDICATING THE SERIAL NUMBER OF THE MOVEMENT

COLUMN #8

03-USX-08

U.S. AUTHORITY, 10TH CORPS

### **STANAG 2154**

# GOVERNS THE GRANTING OF MOVEMENT CREDITS IN NATO OPERATIONS

## TYPES OF CONVOY CONTROL

- ORGANIZATIONAL: EXERCIZED BY THE CDR OF THE ORGANIZATION MAKING THE MOVE
- CDR ENSURES SUPERVISORS & DRIVERS OBEY:
  - RULES OF THE ROAD
  - TRAFFIC LAWS & REGULATIONS
  - SPEED LIMITS
  - TIME AND DISTANCE GAPS
  - SCHEDULES
  - MARCH DISCIPLINE

# TYPES OF CONVOY CONTROL (Cont.)

- AREA: EXERCISED BY THE CDR OF AN AREA THROUGH WHICH A CONVOY MIGHT PROCEED
- AREA CONTROL IS PLANNED BY THE APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC HQ FOR HIGHWAY REGULATION
- AREA CONTROL IS CARRIED OUT BY:
  - TRAFFIC CONTROL POSTS (TCP'S)
  - HIGHWAY REGULATION POINTS
  - MOBILE PATROLS

## TYPES OF COLUMN FORMATION

- OPEN COLUMN
- CLOSED COLUMN
- INFILTRATION

### **OPEN COLUMN**

• WHEN: DAYLIGHT

DENSITY: 20 VEHICLES PER MILE
 12 VEHICLES PER KM

• SPEED: 15-20 MPH

- ADVANTAGES
  - LESS CHANCE OF ENEMY OBSERVATION OR ATTACK
  - CARGO MOVES FASTER
  - DRVERS' FATIGUE IS REDUCED
  - FEWER ACCIDENT
  - FLEXIBLE
- DISADVANTAGES
  - COMMAND AND CONTROL IS DIFFICULT
  - PROPER VEHICLE PACING IS HARD TO KEEP

### CLOSED COLUMN

 WHEN: NIGHT, CONGESTED AREAS, OR POORLY MARKED AREAS

• DENSITY: 67 VEHICLES PER MILE 40 VEHICLES PER KM

SPEED: 10 MPH

## CLOSED COLUMN(CON'T)

#### • ADVANTAGES:

- -FULL TRAFFIC CAPABILITY OF THE ROAD CAN BE USED
- -CONTROL IS BETTER
- -FEWER GUIDES, ESCORTS, &

**ROUTE** 

MARKERS ARE

**NEEDED** 

## CLOSED COLUMN(CON'T)

•DISADVANTAGES:	
-DISPERSION OF VE	EHICLES IS
DIFFICULT	
-COLUMN IS EASILY	Z DETECTED
-REQUIRES CAREFU	JL SCHEDULING AND
RIGID CON	TROL TO AVOID
BLOCKING AT	INTERSECTIONS
-CAUSES DRIVERS FATIGUE	
-MAY CAUSE CONGESTION AT POINT OF	
ARRIVAL	

### **INFILTRATION**

• WHEN: DAYLIGHT, CONGESTED AREAS, HEAVY TRAFFIC CROSSES ROUTE, STRONG POSSIBILITY OF ENEMY

DENSITY: 10 OR LESS PER HOUR

SPEED: VARIOUS

# INFILTRATION (CON'T)

#### • ADVANTAGES:

PROVIDES MAXIMUM SECURITY AND DECEPTION
HIGH SPEEDS ARE POSSIBLE
OTHER TRAFFIC HAS LITTLE EFFECT
ON INDIVIDUAL TRUCKS
DOES NOT HINDER CROSS TRAFFIC

## INFILTRATION (CON'T)

- DISADVANTAGES:
  - -MORE TIM E TO COMPLETE THE
  - MOVE DUE TO SEPARATION
  - -COLUMN CONTROL IS NEARLY
    - **IMPOSSIBLE**
  - -DRIVERS MAY GET LOST
  - -LOGISTICS ARE HARD TO ARRANGE
  - -VEHICLES MAY BUNCH UP
  - -REQUIRES EXPERIENCED DRIVERS
  - -DIFFICULT TO REDEPLOY AS A UNIT

UNTIL ALL VEHICLES

ARRIVE AT THE DESTINATION

### CONTROL METHODS

START POINT

RELEASE POINT

HALTS

### START POINT

- THE PLACE WHERE THE CONVOY CDR ASSUMES CONTROL OF THE CONVOY
- THE POINT SHOULD BE EASILY IDENIFIABLE
- THE CONVOY MUST CROSS THE START POINT AT THE EXACT TIME

### RELEASE POINT

- A RECOGNIZABLE POINT
  WHERE THE CONVOY PASSES AT
  THE PRESCRIBED RATE OF
  MARCH
- THE CONVOY COMMANDER RELINQUISHES CONTROL OF THE CONVOY

#### **HALTS**

- HALTS AND REST AREAS SHOULD BE PLANNED AHEAD OF TIME AND SHOULD BE AT POINTS WHERE THE CONVOY CAN PULL OFF THE ROAD
- HALTS MAY BE ESTABLISHED FOR REST AND RELIEF, MAINTENANCE, MESSING, REFUELING, AND OVERNIGHT STOPS

# COMMAND AND CONTROL

- RADIO
- SOUND
- VISUAL SIGNALS
  - HAND AND ARM
  - PYROTECHNIC
  - PANEL MARKERS
  - STRIP MAP

### **CONVOY SECURITY**

- CONVOY ESCORT & SECURITY IS AN OPERATION IN WHICH MILITARY POLICE ARE DETAILED TO PROVIDE SECURITY AND MOVEMENTS TO A SPECIFIC GROUP OF VEHICLES
- TYPES OF CONVOYS REQUIRING AN ESCORT:
  - SPECIAL AMMUNITION
  - RESUPPLY OPERATIONS
  - VIP'S
  - RIVER CROSSINGS

### AREA-ORIENTED SUPPORT

- EACH PLATOON ON THE CONVOY'S ROUTE SECURES THE CONVOY AS IT PASSES THROUGH THE PLATOON'S AO
- RESPONSIBILITY IS TRANSFERRED FROM ONE PLATOON TO ANOTHER AT A PREARRANGED LOCATION

### FUNCTIONAL-ORIENTED SUPPORT

- AN MP UNIT IS COMMITTED TO THE SPECIFIC MISSION, CONVOY ESCORT
- THE CONVOY IS ESCORTED BY THE UNIT FROM START TO FINISH, REGARDLESS OF THE AREAS IT PASSES THROUGH

### CONTROL MEASURES

- TO HELP THE CONVOY MOVE
  THROUGH THE AREA AS QUICKLY
  AS POSSIBLE, THE FOLLOWING
  CONTROL MEASURES SHOULD BE
  EMPLACED:
  - CHECKPOINTS AND TCP'S
  - INCREASE NBC PROTECTION
  - CONCENTRATE SECURITY AT CHOKE POINTS ALONG THE ROUTE

#### **RECON TEAMS**

- IDENTIFY LIKELY TROUBLE AREAS AND AMBUSH SITES
- IDENTIFY ALL FRIENDLY UNITSTHROUGH WHOSE TACTICAL AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY THE CONVOY WILL PASS
- SELECT POSSIBLE LOCATIONS FOR CHECKPOINTS OR CONFIRM THOSE ALREADY ESTABLISHED
- NOTE CONDITION OF ROADBED AND ANY BRIDGES
- IDENTIFY PLACES WHERE TRAFFIC CONTROL POINTS (TCP'S) WILL BE NEEDED

### VEHICLE PLACEMENT

- THE PLACEMENT OF VEHICLES IN THE CONVOY IS BASED ON THE NUMBER OF VEHICLES AVAILABLE
- ONE VEHICLE IS PLACED AT THE HEAD OF THE CONVO TO PLACE FIRES ON THE ENEMY
- REMAINING VEHICLES ARE LOCATED WHERE THEY CAN PROVIDE THE BEST SECURITY

### **SCOUT VEHICLE**

- PRECEDES THE MAIN BODY OF THE CONVOY BY 3-5 MINUTES
- MAINTAIN RADIO CONTACT WITH SECURITY EVIDENCE
- WATCH FOR CONDITIONS THAT MAY AFFECT THE CONVOY'S SECURITY
- KEEP ASSIGNED DISTANCE FROM MAIN BODY

### LEAD VEHICLE

- MAINTAIN PACE (MARCH RATE) SET BY THE CONVOY COMMANDER
- PROVIDE SECURITY FOR LEAD ELEMENTS OF THE CONVOY
- IN THE EVENT OF SNIPER FIRE, RETURN FIRE
- MAINTAIN RADIO CONTACT WITH NCOIC OF SECURITY ELEMENT

### TRAIL VEHICLE

- PROVIDE SECURITY FOR REAR ELEMENTS OF CONVOY
- PROVIDE ASSISTANCE AND SECURITY FOR DISABLED VEHICLES OF CONVOY
- PROVIDE FIRE SUPPORT IN EVENT OF AMBUSH OR SNIPER ACTIVITY
- MAINTAIN RADIO CONTACT WITH NCOIC OF SECURITY ELEMENT

## COORDINATION WITH CONVOY COMMANDER

- ORGANIZATION OF CONVOY
- ACTION TO TAKE ON CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY
- PRIMARY & ALTERNATIVE FREQUENCIES AND CALL SIGNS
- TIME TABLES FOR MOVEMENT
- SUPPORTING FIRES
- PRIMARY AND ALTERNATIVE ROUTES
- LOCATION OF SECURITY FORCE
- TIME & PLACE WHERE MP SUPPORT BEGINS & ENDS
- SECURITY MEASURES USED AT HALTS AND REST STOPS

# VEHICLE PREPARATION

**MAINTENANCE** 

#### ASSEMBLY AREA INSPECTION TEAM

HARDENING OF VEHICLES

**TARPAULINS** 

# METHODS OF CONVOY ESCORT

LEADING AND FOLLOWING

EMPTY TRUCK LEAP FROG



# LEADING AND FOLLOWING

- USED FOR ROUTINE CONVOY OPNS
- TAKES A MINIMUM OF TWO TEAMS
- SECURITY VEHICLES PLACED AT THE FRONT AND THE REAR OF THE CONVOY
- LEAD VEHICLE SETS THE PACE & THE TRAIL VEHICLE PREVENTS STRAGGLING VEHICLES

#### LEAP FROG

- GUIDE VEHICLE MOVES TO A LOCATION AND THEN WAITS FOR THE CONVOY TO PASS HIS LOCATION, THEN OVERTAKES THE CONVOY TO MOVE TO THE NEXT POINT
- THIS TYPE OF SECURITY IS VERY LIMITED ON NARROW, CONGESTED OR MOUNTAINOUS ROADS

### **EMPTY TRUCK**

- GUIDES ARE PRE-POSITIONED ALONG THE ROUTE AT CRITICAL POINTS
- AN EMPTY VEHICLE TRAVELS AT THE REAR OF THE CONVOY TO PICK UP THE GUIDES AS THE CONVOY PASSES

#### PERIMETER

- USE THE PERIMETER METHOD WHEN CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY IS LIKELY
- PUT SECURITY IN FRONT, REAR, AND FLANKS OF THE CONVOY

### ESCORT BRIEFING

- THE SECURITY ELEMENT LEADER BRIEFS THE CONVOY PERSONNEL AND HIS MP TEAMS ON THE FOLLOWING AREAS:
  - MISSION
  - ENEMY SITUATION
  - ACTIONS TO TAKE UPON ENEMY ATTACK

### MAJOR PROBLEMS

- SNIPERS
- AMBUSH
- ROAD DAMAGE
- ARTILLERY OR AIR ATTACK
- VEHICLE BREAKDOWNS

#### SNIPER FIRE

- SNIPER FIRE MAY BE USED TO SLOW THE CONVOY PRIOR TO AN AMBUSH
- BEST DEFENSE AGAINST AN AMBUSH IS TO KEEP MOVING
- FIRE IAW SOP
- ALERT PERSONNEL TO THE SNIPER

### AMBUSH OF CONVOY

- IF THE AMBUSH IS DETECTED

  BEFORE ANY VEHICLE ENTERS THE

  KILL ZONE, THE CONVOY SHOULD:
  - HALT
  - SET UP SECURITY
  - CALL FOR RESPONSE FORCE
  - NOTIFY MP'S OPERATING IN THE AREA
  - TAKE ANOTHER ROUTE IF POSSIBLE

### AMBUSH OF CONVOY (IF ROAD IS BLOCKED)

- NCOIC NOTIFIES THE CONVOY RESPONSE FORCE
- TROOPS DISMOUNT, TAKE COVER, AND DIRECT MAXIMUM FIRE ON THE ENEMY POSITION
- TROOPS FROM VEHICLES THAT ARE NOT IN THE KILL ZONE DISMOUNT AND SET UP SECURITY
- NCOIC ASSESSES THE SITUATION AND DIRECTS THE RESPONSE FORCE TO MAKE FLANKING ATTACK

# AMBUSH OF CONVOY (ROAD IS NOT BLOCKED) • VEHICLES THAT HAVE CLEARED THE KILL

- VEHICLES THAT HAVE CLEARED THE KILL ZONE CONTINUE THE MISSION
- VEHICLES IN THE KILL ZONE DRIVE OUT
- TROOPS IN A DISABLED VEHICLE THAT CAN'T MOVE DISMOUNT AND RETURN FIRE
- PICK UP TROOPS FROM DISABLED VEHICLES
- SECURITY FORCE LAYS DOWN SUPRESSIVE FIRE

# ROAD DAMAGE & VEHICLE BREAKDOWN

- ALTERNATE ROUTES
- PREPLANNED
- RECOVERY

# ARTILLERY ATTACK OR AIR ATTACK

- ARTILLERY ATTACK-- ALL VEHICLES SHOULD CONTINUE FORWARD AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE TO CLEAR THE AREA
- AIR ATTACK-- ALL VEHICLES
  SHOULD DISPERSE OR ATTEMPT
  TO FIND COVER

# QUESTIONS?

